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Organization

1. The State Secretariat of Higher Education (Staatssekretariat fuer Hochschulwesen) occupies a building in Berlin-Mitte, Wilhelmstrasse 64. One section only, the Main Department for Technical Schools (Hauptabteilung Fachschulwesen) occupies rooms in the building of the Ministry of Justice.

Personnel

2. Some of the departmental heads are as follows:

Prof. Gerhard Harig	Secretary of State
Hans Gossens	Under Secretary of State
Dreher	Secret Registry
Wiebach	Personnel Department
Hamann	Budget Department
Terstegen	Department for Planning Statistics, Investments and Buildings
Frau Lehnert	Department for General Administration
Frau Erdmann	Chief Department for Research and Scientific Matters
Prof. Kurt Freitag	Department for Research
Dr. Mueller	Department for Educational Books, Scientific Publications and Instructional Apparatus

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Dr. Steinmetz	Department for Postgraduate Study and Advanced Education for Teachers
Schmidt } Frl. Mayns }	Department for Libraries, Museums and Educational Films
Hartmann	Department for International Relations
Dr. Graefrath	Department for Scientific Relations
Wohlgemuth	Chief Department for Universities and Institutes of Technology
Dova	Department for Agricultural and Veterinary Faculties
Dr. Oberdoerster	Department for Medical Faculties
Mannat	Department for Workers' and Peasants' Faculties

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Exchange of Students with the USSR

3. This is controlled by Hartmann's department. Selected candidates must, however, also be approved by Dr. Steinmetz. The German students who spent the last academic year in the USSR returned to East Germany for their summer vacation in July.

Research at the Universities and Institutes of Technology

4. This is the responsibility of Prof. Kurt Freitag's department. Procedure is as follows:
- The university is informed how much may be spent in the next year on research, and is instructed to submit proposals.
  - The university submits its proposals, in triplicate, to the State Secretariat.
  - The State Secretariat studies the proposals, and forwards two copies to the Central Office for Research and Technology (Zentralamt fuer Forschung und Technik - ZAFZ).
  - ZAFZ notifies the State Secretariat which projects have been approved, and the latter notifies the university.
  - ZAFZ has occasionally suggested further research projects. Some of these, received from the Department for Scientific and Technical Cooperation of ZAFZ (Wissenschaftlich Technische Zusammenarbeit - WTL) appear to have been suggested on behalf of the USSR or other Eastern countries.
  - The scientific institutes must submit annual progress reports. Some projects, classified in the State Secretariat as important projects, must be reported on every three months. These reports are all in German. Reports on research covered by Allied Control Council Law 25 must be translated into Russian by the State Secretariat, and the translation passed on to ZAFZ.
5. The universities' proposals for research in 1964 have already been received and passed on to ZAFZ for consideration.
6. The State Secretariat exercises a purely administrative control over research at the universities. No serious attempt is made to check the scientific value of the research tasks and results; this would in any case be impossible with the present staff. It is believed that ZAFZ controls this side of the matter.

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